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Dear Mom and Dad,

I just killed a large wasp which flew in the office window a few minutes ago. Since the window is open you can deduce that our weather is not too oppressive. It is warm (hi 80's) today but a north wind is blowing and the humidity is low. This week has flown by as most of them seem to do. Next week I am attending the, 'Fifth Annual Course on Modeling, Simulation, and Gaming of Warfare' at Georgia Tech in Atlanta. I have managed to make my job one of modeling and simulation so I sit and use my terminal all day long just as Dad is able to do. Given that I have to work 8 hours a day, this is a pretty good way to spend it. We are, of course, looking forward to our vacation in two weeks. When we get back it will be Fall, the best time of the year in Wash DC.

Dad might be interested in the latest issue of Scientific American which deals entirely with computer software. I am reading that, studying the travel books, and reviewing Latin so there is little time for anything else. The other night we did go out to the AV Ristorante on New York Ave which we all enjoyed one evening. I had spaghetti with pesto (basil sauce) accompanied by the excellent bread and wine.

Love, *Jim*

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